

OLD TOWN NEWS

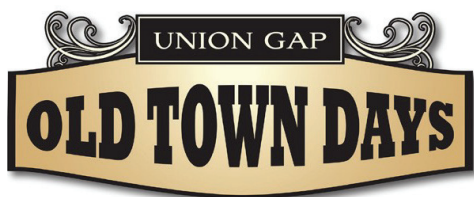
CITY EVENTS, CITY COUNCIL, DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES,
& MUNICIPAL CODE INFORMATION

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FREE ADMISSION / PARKING

UNION GAP OLD TOWN DAYS & CIVIL WAR REENACTMENT

JUNE 15-16, 2024 - FATHER'S DAY WEEKEND

ALL EVENTS ARE AT FULLBRIGHT PARK



Save the date for Washington State's biggest Living History Weekend and Civil War Reenactment! Admission and Parking are FREE and there are ACRES of camps to see during Union Gap's Old Town Days at Fullbright Park / Central Washington Ag Museum.



The Washington Civil War Association's talents will be on full display with men in uniforms, medics giving demonstrations, and women dressed in full era gowns. Learn fun facts and more information about life during this time period. This is truly education through entertainment! Visit the "Education Stations" to learn all kinds of facts on the scavenger hunt and turn them in for a prize!

Four re-enactment battles are planned to take place over the course of the weekend. Come, enjoy great food, kiddie train rides and tram rides at the museum! Smart Phone Guided Audio Tour Cards will also be available from the Central Washington Ag Museum.

Follow the Central Washington Agricultural Museum on Facebook for a detailed schedule of events that will be posted soon!

PLAN YOUR TRIP TO EXPERIENCE LIVING HISTORY!

See the Civil War Re-enactment & Old Town Days Pioneer Camps!
FULLBRIGHT PARK / CENTRAL WASHINGTON AGRICULTURAL MUSEUM



3.2K IS BACK!

JUNE 15 FATHER'S DAY 3.2K & PANCAKE FEED

Central Washington
Agricultural Museum
UNION GAP, WA



3RD ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY 3.2K & PANCAKE FEED!

Registration is now open for the 3rd Annual Father's Day 3.2k! The race will be held at 9AM on Saturday, June 15th at the Central WA Ag Museum. It's a fun event to run with your children or grandchildren. The race takes you around the disc golf course and is perfect for kids, families, and those getting back to running.

Enjoy the Union Gap Police Department's delicious Pancake Breakfast after the race! It's a terrific way to start your Father's Day and create great memories. Plus, all the proceeds benefit the Central WA AG Museum and the Union Gap Police Department. It's all happening during Union Gap's Old Town Days Weekend!

SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM (SFSP) FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH AT UNION GAP SCHOOL

JULY 8-19, 2024

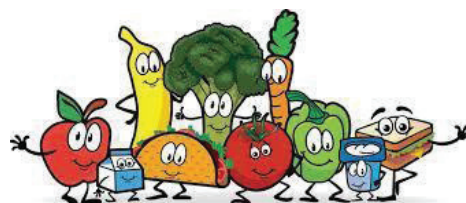
MONDAY-FRIDAY for ALL children 1-18 years of age

BREAKFAST SERVED: 8:15AM - 9:00AM

LUNCH SERVED: 11:15AM - 12:15PM

If you have any questions, please call
Debra Manzano at 248-3966 x 402

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PROGRAMA DE SERVICIO DE ALIMENTOS DE VERANO (SFSP) DESAYUNO Y ALMUERZO GRATIS EN LA ESCUELA UNION GAP

8-19 DE JULIO DEL 2024

LUNES-VIERNES para TODOS niños de 1-18 años de edad

SE SERVIRÁ DESAYUNO: 8:15AM - 9:00AM

SE SERVIRÁ ALMUERZO: 11:15AM - 12:15PM

Si tiene cualquier pregunta, favor de llamar a
Juanita Justo al 248-3966 x 400

El Distrito Escolar de Union Gap es un empleador y proveedor de
igualdad de oportunidades

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Tuesday, August 6, 2024

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign that promotes police-community partnerships and neighborhood camaraderie to make our neighborhoods safer, more caring places to live.





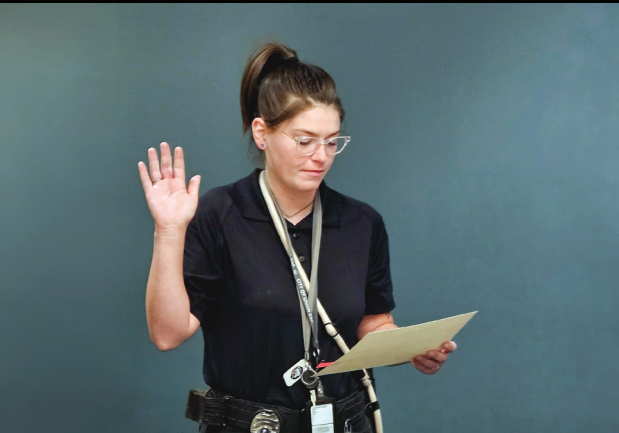
UNION GAP LIBRARY & COMMUNITY CENTER UPDATE

The contractors are back in full scale to get the exterior ready, from installing pavers, patio and sidewalks. Everything is coming together nicely and getting ready for an expected ribbon cutting by August 2024.



CONGRATULATIONS to our Director of Public Works & Community Development, Dennis Henne, on his retirement from the City of Union Gap. Warmest wishes for his retirement & congratulations on an incredible career.

We also want to congratulate Jason Cavanaugh on his promotion to the position. Best wishes to you both!



Please welcome our newest hire, Community Service Officer (CS01) Amanda Graham. CSO Graham was previously working for us as a part-time animal control officer. She was employed by the Yakima Humane Society to provide services to our community. Last Friday, she was sworn into office in her new role which will focus on animal control and code enforcement. When you see her around, please say hi.

Chief Cobb watched as Officer Sean Snyder graduated from class 882 of the Washington State basic law enforcement academy in Spokane. Officer Snyder started his FTO phase this Saturday, and you will be seeing him out on patrol. Make sure when you see him, say hi and congratulate him.



VALVE TURNING PROGRAM

The City's valve turning program is currently underway and will continue for the remainder of the year. If you encounter discoloration in your water, please limit your use of water so any naturally occurring sediment will settle. If discolored, please be assured your water will be the same safe water you enjoyed prior to this maintenance program. You might ask, "What is the valve turning program?"

Who: Public Works Personnel

What: This is a preventive maintenance program, which involves locating and mapping all valves in the system. Recording pertinent information. Cleaning out valve boxes or vaults. Operating all valves to ensure they function properly. Depending on the condition of the valve, it may require repair, replacement, or non-emergency maintenance.

Water valves are an essential part of the City's water distribution system and they can be tough to work with, as there are many details and safety measures that must be followed to ensure success.

When: Currently and will continue thru the remainder of the year.

Where: The entire City of Union Gap water distribution system.

Why: To assure reliable operation and maintain water quality; extends the life of the valves; helps ensure water system reliability; helps you safely and effectively operate your system for regular use; ensures the system is operable in the event of an emergency.



DIGGING ON YOUR PROPERTY?

Are you planting a tree, installing a mailbox, building a deck or other projects that require digging? Before you dig, please remember to call the National "Call-Before-You-Dig" phone number (*it is required by law*). Two or three days before you plan to break ground, dial 8-1-1 or make an online request at www.callbeforeyoudig.org. "Call-Before-You-Dig" Center will notify all affected utility operators of the need to mark any buried utility lines, in the area which you will be digging. You will see paint or flags marking the areas that utilities have been located; so you don't unintentionally dig into an underground line. Below are some color markings you may see:

WHITE	Pre-marking of the outer limits of the proposed excavation or marking the centerline and width of proposed lineal installations of buried facilities.
PINK	Temporary Survey Markings.
RED	Electric power lines, cables or conduit, and lighting cables.
YELLOW	Gas, oil, steam, petroleum, or gaseous materials.
ORANGE	Communication, alarm, signal lines, cables or conduits, and fiber.
BLUE	Potable water.
PURPLE	Slurry, irrigation and reclaimed water.
GREEN	Sewers, drainage facilities or other drain lines.

SIGHT OBSTRUCTIONS

Public Works Crews will be addressing properties that have sight obstructions. Sight obstructions include trees, bushes, etc. which have been allowed to grow in a manner that limits or obstructs the sight distance of motorists entering or leaving intersections. *Please survey your property and clear, cut back, and clean up any sight obstructions.*



FREE OF CHARGE!

Washington Recycles is both a hotline and an online tool that connects you, or your business, to recycling services across Washington State. This tool can help you find where, in your community, you can recycle everything from used appliances, old computers, monitors, electronics, TV's, and/or leftover paint!

Please contact www.1-800-RECYCLE.WA.GOV or call **1.800.732.9253** – this is a **FREE** service!

DOES YOUR WATER HAVE AN ODOR?

On occasion, during the summer months, the City receives calls from customers stating their water has a "rotten egg" odor. The smell of rotten egg, in water, is an indicator of the presence of hydrogen sulfide; although particularly unpleasant to smell, it is perfectly safe to drink. Every month, the City collects numerous samples throughout our entire water distribution system and all of our samples return satisfactorily, from a certified lab.

WATER CONSERVATION

When brushing your teeth, turn off the faucet (instead of letting it run) when you are brushing - use the water only when needed. Try this for one week and keep increasing the length – see how many weeks you can do this and imagine all the water you save!

THANK YOU!

40th ANNUAL YAKIMA VALLEY SWAP MEET & CAR SHOW



Saturday, June 8th, 2024

**CENTRAL WASHINGTON
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FREE GARDENING CLASSES

Ahtanum Youth Park / Demonstration Garden

Enjoy a Free Gardening Class sponsored by Yakima Master Gardeners. Special guest Dr. Kara Lolley, Executive Director and Founder of Canyon Blooms Petals for Patients will be sharing how cut flower arrangements bring hope and joy to so many people. Learn more about this growing nonprofit and how it has been blessing patients with free flower deliveries. Learn techniques for using your own blooms in bouquets to brighten your home!

To find out more about the WSU Yakima County Master Gardeners program – please go to:

<https://extension.wsu.edu/yakima/home-garden/master-gardeners/master-gardener-events/>



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Union Gap Tourism: visituniongap.com
Xpress Bill Pay: xpressbillpay.com

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Fire	(509) 575-6060
Park Reservations	(509) 248-0432
Treasurer / Clerk	(509) 248-0432
Utility Billing	(509) 248-0434
Newsletter	(509) 248-9202

Building / Planning	(509) 575-3638
Code Enforcement	(509) 248-0430
Public Works	(509) 225-3524

Police	(509) 248-0430
Crime Prevention	(509) 457-5927
Animal Control	(509) 248-0430

1000 AHTANUM ROAD

Senior Citizen Center	(509) 248-2668
Activities/Barn Rentals	(509) 248-0432

TOURISM & TRANSIT

Tourism Promoter	(509) 575-8770
Union Gap Transit	(509) 574-8000
UG Transit TTY	(509) 574-8000

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